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In re Application of	:	
Valerie Arranz	:	DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 10/568,104	:	TO WITHDRAW
Filed: March 19, 2007	:	FROM RECORD
Attorney Docket No. 62745.000021	:	

This is a decision on the request to withdraw as attorney of record under 37 C.F.R. § 1.36, filed October 6, 2009.

The request is **NOT APPROVED**.

The Request for Withdrawal as Attorney or Agent and Change of Correspondence Address submitted on October 6, 2009 is hereby not accepted. Petitioner has not complied with current USPTO requirements, as set forth in 37 CFR 10.40 concerning Request for Withdrawal as Attorney and Change of Correspondence Address. Specifically, pursuant to 37 CFR 10.40, the Office will require the practitioner(s) to certify that he, she or they have:

- (1) given reasonable notice to the client, prior to the expiration of the reply period, that the practitioner(s) intends to withdraw from employment;
- (2) delivered to the client or a duly authorized representative of the client all papers and property (including funds) to which the client is entitled; and
- (3) notified the client of any replies that may be due and the time frame within which the client must respond.

Petitioner has not complied with item (2) of the above certifications.

Further, the Office will only accept correspondence address changes to the most current address information provided for the assignee of the entire interest *who properly became*

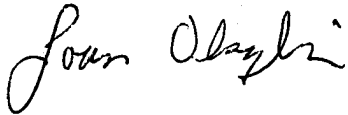
of record under 37 CFR 3.71, or, if no assignee of the entire interest has properly been made of record, the most current address information provided for the first named inventor. 37 CFR 3.71(c) states:

An assignee becomes of record either in a national patent application or a reexamination proceeding by filing a statement in compliance with § 3.73(b) that is signed by a party who is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

According to a review of current USPTO records petitioner has not recognized the current recorded assignee concerning the above-identified application or the first listed inventor. As such, all future communications from the Office will continue to be directed to the above-listed address until otherwise notified by applicant.

Currently, there is an outstanding Office action mailed September 16, 2009 that requires a reply.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-7751.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joan Olszewski".

Joan Olszewski
Petitions Examiner
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